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STAFF REPORT: Off-Highway Vehicle Safety Education Committee

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SUBJECT: Off-Highway Vehicle Safety Education Committee Update

Summary

Section 38500 of the California Vehicle Code (CVC) established the OHVSEC. Members of the OHVSEC include the Commissioner of the California Highway Patrol (CHP), the Deputy Director of the Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation (OHMVR) Division, the Director of the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV), or their designees, and a member of the OHMVR Commission. After a period of time, the Off-Highway Vehicle Safety Education Committee (OHVSEC) has been reconvened.

The main responsibilities of the OHVSEC are to develop minimum criteria for certification as an approved all-terrain vehicle safety training organization (ATV STO) and to approve the ATV STO based on whether the applicant's program meets the minimum criteria (CVC § 38500.1).

Discussion

On April 28, 2016, the OHVSEC reconvened for the first time since 2001. In attendance were OHMVR Commissioner Paul Slavik; CHP designee Captain Kevin Davis; DMV designee Robert Benson; OHMVR Division designee Greg Schumaker; Ann Brewster, CHP; and OHMVR Division staff Mark Hada, Tom Bernardo, and George MacDougall.

The participants discussed the history of the OHMVR program; the OHVSEC; the ATV Safety Certificate program; California ATV laws; past ATV STOs; the current ATV STO program and guidelines; and DMV requirements to become an ATV STO.

On May 10, 2016, members of the OHVSEC committee met with a representative from the ATV Safety Institute. After the meeting, the members participated in an ATV RiderCourseSM at Prairie City SVRA to experience the hands-on program first-hand.

Future OHVSEC meetings will address ATV Safety Certificate challenges that may affect the development of the minimum criteria for certification for ATV STO. The next meeting of the OHVSEC has yet to be determined.

Commission Action

For information only.

Attachments

None